



NOAA Restoration Center

Los Trancos Creek Fish Passage

Project Description

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Project Nickname Los Trancos / AR-2002

Location Palo Alto, Santa Clara County, CA, SWR

Program Community-based Restoration

Congressional District

Lat, Long Coordinates -122.2013, 37.3718

Land Ownership Private

Implementation Start Date

Implementation End Date

River Basin

HUC

Geographic Identifier

USGS Topo Quad

Project Status Planning Stage

Project Type Restoration

Project Status Description Hopes to be completed Fall 2004

Landmark

Number of Volunteers

Volunteer Hours

Volunteer Description

Proposed Project?

Project Closed?

FY Completed

Habitat Information

Type	Acres Created	Acres Re-established	Acres Rehabilitated	Acres Enhanced	Acres Protected	Stream Miles	# Plants/Animals
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Species Information

Commonname	Genus	Species	Population Name	NMFS Status	Species Type
Trout, steelhead	<i>Oncorhynchus</i>	<i>mykiss</i>	California Central Valley	Threatened	animal

Partners

San Francisco Watershed Council

Restoration Techniques

riparian planting
culvert removal

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NOAA Involvement

source of funding

Monitoring Information

Characteristic	Type
Additional Info	

Funding Information

Funding Mechanism	FY Awarded	NOAA Contribution	Partnership Contribution	Total Partnership Contribution
American Rivers	2002	\$49,000	\$0	\$49,000
TOTALS		\$49,000	\$0	\$49,000

Other Non-Federal \$ **Other Federal \$** **Total Project Cost**

Funding Recipient San Francisquito Creek Joint Powers Authority

Funding Comments These funds are earmarked until December 2002.

Project Abstract

The NOAA Community-based Restoration Program partnered with American Rivers to fund the Los Trancos Creek Fish Passage Project. The project was awarded to the San Francisquito Creek Joint Powers Authority on behalf of the San Francisquito Watershed Council. Although originally scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2003, the project proponents now hope to implement this project in the fall of 2004. Los Trancos Creek flows into San Francisquito Creek and then into the southern part of the San Francisco Bay near the town of Palo Alto.

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